

Automated Commercial Environment – Requirements Recommendation

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Requirement

The system will provide functionality that allows customs brokers to settle user fees specified in 19 C.F.R. 111.96(c) and 111.96(d) by check at a single Customs office designated for collection of payments or by EFT or similar electronic means through ACE.

Business Need

The existing system for settlement of annual users fees related to a customs broker's district permits and the triennial status report are unnecessarily burdensome and cumbersome for both customs brokers and the Customs Service.

Technical Need

The current Automated Commercial System lacks the functionality and flexibility for single site collection of annual user fees associated with a customs broker's district permits for firms holding permits in multiple districts, and requires check processing for both types of user fees addressed in this requirement.

Benefits

A simple and straightforward method for settlement of these recurring fees would reduce administrative costs, expedite record updates, improve record maintenance, and bring a greater degree of transparency to the process.

Risks

There is a risk that failure to settle the annual user fee at a single site would put all district permits held by a customs broker at risk.

Related Subcommittees

Account

Priority: **Critical** ☐ **High** ☐ **Medium** ☒ **Low** ☐